

“The Temple (3): The Cleansing”

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□ **Leviticus 16:15-18, 30**

- Two ancient realities that matter to us in the third millennium:
 - Reality #1—the Day of Atonement symbolized the final *judicial* cleansing of God’s _____.
 - Reality #2—the Day of Atonement symbolized the final *moral* cleansing God’s _____.
- Roy Gane: “By transferring a sacrificial animal to God, an Israelite transferred sin or ritual impurity from him/herself to God at His sanctuary. The person was freed from the problem because God took it. It was now in God’s ‘ball park,’ that is, His sanctuary. When an Israelite laid one hand on the head of an animal in a sin offering . . . this gesture played an important role in the transfer of evil to the sanctuary . . .” (*Altar Call* 207)
- Through the high drama of the Day of Atonement, God taught his people that the evil of human rebellion and sin would not forever stain this universe, but that a day of reckoning would come—a day of _____—a day of purgation—when the judicial records of sin would be cleansed from God’s sanctuary and purged from his universe.
 - This divine purging is described in Leviticus 16 as _____ the sanctuary.

□ **Hebrews 9:22-26**

- If God’s sandbox illustration of the plan of salvation, if the earthly sanctuary had to be cleansed—and it represented the great reality in heaven—then should we not conclude, the writer of Hebrews asks, that the heavenly sanctuary would also be _____—but with the greatest sacrifice of all?

□ **Daniel and Revelation**

- Daniel 7:9, 10
- Daniel 8:14
- Revelation 11:18, 19
- What _____ describes as an endtime celestial court convened with records, what _____ portrays as the endtime cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary, what _____ depicts as the endtime Most Holy Place judgment of the dead—are all bound together by the single dramatic cleansing metaphor of the _____.
- Revelation 14:7—“The hour of his judgment _____.”

□ **But remember . . .**

- I John 1:9—“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to _____ us from all unrighteousness.”
- Matthew 18:23-35—The debt that has been fully and freely removed can be fully and freely _____, if we who have been cleansed by God quit living the life of the _____ for God.
- Revelation 3:5
- Revelation 7:13, 14

It's cleansing time!

Sanctuary, people, judgment, cleansing, cleansed, Daniel 7, Daniel 8, Revelation 11, Day of Atonement, has come, cleanse, reinstated, cleansed